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The reply filed Jan. 29, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action mailed Nov. 6, 2001 because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant's reply received Jan. 29, 2002 does not fully address the office action mailed Nov. 6, 2001. Specifically, Applicant has not clearly responded to (1) the claims rejection under 35 USC 102 set forth in paragraphs 4-7 of the office action mailed Nov. 6, 2001 and (2) the claims rejection under 35 USC 103(a), set forth at paragraphs 8-10, 12-13 of the office action mailed Nov. 6, 2001. It appears as if Applicant has not specifically responded to each rejection indicated above and it is not clear which specific rejections Applicant's remarks at page 5 of the amendment address. The reply by the applicant or patent owner must be reduced to a writing which distinctly and specifically points out the supposed errors in the examiner's action and must reply to every ground of objection and rejection in the prior Office action. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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